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Bennett C. WARD, et al.)	
Application No.: 10/743,593)	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filing Date: December 22, 2003)	Examiner: Unassigned
Title: POROUS SUBSTRATE FOR)	
INK DELIVERY SYSTEMS)	

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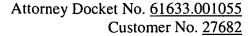
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